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SRI. K. VINAYAKAM: Sir, did the Government receive any protest from those dumb and mute trees that the tax levied upon them is too excessive ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: Sir, the day has not yet come when trees can speak.

Copyist-Examiners

* 623 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI (on behalf of SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM): Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Copyist-Examiners of the Revenue Department in Tiruchirappalli, who were retrenched from service during the year 1955 consequent on the separation of Judiciary;

(*b*) the length of service of the employees so retrenched; and the details of retirement; and

(*c*) the benefits paid to them ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: (*a*) Seven Copyists and four Copyist-Examiners.

(*b*) *Length of service.*—Particulars of service are available only in respect of four employees. They had put in service ranging from about 25 years to about 34 years at the time of retrenchment. Particulars in respect of the other employees are not available.

Details of retirement.—As soon as finalisation orders were received from the High Court, the District Magistrate (Judicial), Tiruchirappalli, reverted seven Copyists and four Copyist-Examiners to the Revenue Department as they were overaged even prior to 1st January 1955 when the scheme of separation of the Judiciary from the Executive was introduced in the district. Out of these, those who were too old for useful service, (i.e., 9 of them) were weeded out from the Revenue Department as per orders of the Government and considered as retired from service.

(*c*) Nil so far. Claims for compassionate gratuity in respect of two deceased Copyists were rejected by the Board.

Proposals for sanction of gratuity in respect of three Copyists and one Copyist-Examiner are now with the Board. Proposals for sanction of gratuity in respect of one Copyist and one Copyist-Examiner are being called for from the Tahsildars concerned. Two Copyists are still in service as piece-work Copyists. No application has been received for benefit from one Copyist-Examiner.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Sir, since the retrenchment matter has been pending with the Government for the last five years, may I know when the Government propose to give this benefit ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: நான் இப்பொழுது சொன்ன தகவலிலிருந்து அதெல்லாம் பரிசீலனை செய்யப்பட்டு ரிபோர்ட்டு வந்திருக்கிறது. அது பரிசீலனையில் இருக்கிறது. அது முடிந்த பிறகு, இதற்கு ஒரு முடிவு ஏற்படும்.

SRI K. RAMACHANDRAN: Is it a fact that no dearness allowance is paid to these Copyists-Examiers and if so, will the Government think of paying that allowance to them ?

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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: Sir, the question, I mean the original question, relates to a particular disability on account of the separation of the Judiciary from the Executive. But, the hon. Member has raised a separate issue in his supplementary. I can give information only about the matter contained in the original question which referred to a particular affair. If any further information is wanted by the hon. Member, he may put a separate question.

SRI S. LAZAR: Sir, may I know the number re-employed? If, however, nobody has been re-employed, will the Government consider the desirability of giving necessary directions to give priority to those people in the matter of re-employment?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: Sir, in the matter of employing them in the Revenue Department, as I have already stated, if they have the necessary qualifications, they are employed.

Inclusion of certain villages in Kodaikanal taluk

* 624 *Q.*—SRI V. K. KRISHNAMURTHY (on behalf of SRI P. S. K. LAKSHMIPATHI RAJ): கனம் ரெவினியூ அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்கு பதிலளிப்பாரா—

கொடைக்கானல் மலையிலிருந்து வட பாரிசத்தில் பழனி தாலூகாவைச் சேர்ந்த பெரும் பள்ளம், மேல் பள்ளம் வடகஞ்சி முதலிய கிராமங்களைக் கொடைக்கானல் தாலூகாவோடு சேர்த்துக் கொள்ள ஏதேனும் உத்தேசம் உண்டா?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: Yes, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER: கனம் தொழில் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் வந்து விட்டதால் இப்பொழுது 621-வது கேள்வியை எடுத்துக் கொள்ளலாம்.

Manufacture of electric motor, starter, switch, etc.

* 621 *Q.*—SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of workshops under the private sector in our State which manufacture electric motor, starter, switch, etc.;

(*b*) their annual requirement in our State;

(*c*) whether the Government are giving any aid to these workshops?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN: (*a*) There are 24 units of small-scale industries and 31 units of large-scale industrial undertakings in this State in private sector, which manufacture motor, starters and switches.

(*b*) Particulars about demand are not available.

(*c*) A sum of Rs. 1,26,000 was disbursed as loan for five small-scale industries.

Three units were allotted space in the Government Industrial Estate, one in Madras and two in Madurai.

One unit was recommended for the supply of a lathe under hire purchase system.

No financial or technical assistance has been rendered to the large-scale industries.